## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 19 with the following replacement paragraph:

--If the shipping voucher or shipping data record is classified as being <u>not</u> faulty in all review steps 7, 8, 9, the data record is then sent to a receiver 12 in that plant 13 and/or that area of operations which, upon arrival, accepts the goods or allocates them to an account (indicated in Figure 2 by arrows 14). It is, thus, ensured that, in this plant 13 or area of operations, an error-free data record is at hand, which clearly describes the expected delivery and which may be assigned to this delivery by the processors or originators in this plant 13 or area of operations when the goods are received. Since the data record is free of errors, no further (manual or interactive) processing of the data record is necessary in plants 13 or in the areas of operation.--.

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